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"Democracy is based upon the conviction that there are extraordinary possibilities in ordinary people."

—Dr. H. R. Ford

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SPECIAL TOWN MEETING NOV. 29 TO CALL FOR TRANSFER OF FUNDS

A special town meeting has been called for Monday, November 29, at 7:30 p. m., at the Town Hall.

The warrant for the meeting contains nine articles, with five

W. C. T. U. Elects New Officers for the Year

The Women's Christian Temperance Union met for their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Philip Porter, Wednesday, November 17.

The following officers were chosen for the coming year: president, Mrs. N. Fay Smith; vice-president, Mrs. Minnie Morgan; secretary, Mrs. Philip Porter; treasurer, Mrs. Lawrence Lazelle; membership committee, Rev. Helen Bassett and Mrs. Bert Newton.

This year is the Diamond anniversary of the W. C. T. U. and an effort will be made throughout the world to get 1,000,000 new members this year.

The program was given by Mrs. Richard Watson, who spoke on "What's the Matter with Prohibition?" Mrs. Watson took extracts from the speech of Clinton N. Howard made at the State convention at Taunton.

Refreshments were served by the hostess, Mrs. Porter. There will not be a meeting in December due to the Christmas holidays.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 26,
Movies at the Town Hall. Sponsored by the P-T. A.

November 29,
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING.
Boy Scouts meet.
Girl Scouts meet at 3:30 p. m. Town Hall.
Sunday School teachers meeting. At the home of Mr. and Mrs. James O. Gillespie.

November 30,
Legion Meeting

December 1,
A silver coffee sponsored by the Woman's Guild at the home of Mrs. J. Austin Daly. 10-12 a. m.

December 2,
WSO meeting. 8 p. m. Alexander Hall.

December 3,
Community Club No. 4.
Fortnightly meeting. Alexander Hall. 3 p. m. Mrs. Robert Morgan speaker.

"Kathy the Great". Senior High Play. 8 p. m. Town Hall.

December 6,
Garden Club meeting.

December 7,
Historical Society annual meeting. at the home of Charles A. Neal.

December 8,
VFW meeting. Grange Hall 8 p. m.

December 9,
20-45 Club meeting. Christmas party.

Community Club No. 4 meeting.

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An Informal Recital In Music Hall

An informal recital by the piano and vocal students of the Northfield School for Girls will be given Friday evening, November 26, in Music Hall at 8:15 p. m.

Sunday, November 28, the guest preachers at the morning worship services at the Northfield Schools will be Rev. Roy M. Pearson of the Hancock Congregational Church in Lexington, Mass., in Russell Sage Chapel at 11 a. m., and Dr. Sidney Lovett, chaplain of Yale University in New Haven, Conn., in Memorial Chapel at 10:30 a. m.

Dr. William E. Park, president of the Northfield Schools, will be guest speaker at the evening service at the Berkshire School in Sheffield, Mass., Sunday, November 28th.

"Kathy The Great" At the Town Hall

Northfield High School will present the 3 act comedy, "Kathy the Great", at the town hall on Friday, December 3, for the seniors' trip to Washington.

The play, under the direction of Miss Evelyn Lawley, will begin at 8 p. m. Tickets may be secured from any high school student, or at the door.

A reprint of a letter appearing in the New York Herald Tribune.

Any one who saw one of his neighbors raking dollar bills into a heap in the gutter and setting them afire would be prompted to telephone either the police or the nearest mental hospital. Yet every night, as I drive from the station to my Connecticut home, I pass between rows of bonfires produced by the burning of fallen leaves.

The man who burns a dollar bill is the only loser, for it is a mere paper symbol of wealth — a certificate of deposit. Destroy the certificate, and the Treasury of the United States is the loser. But a fallen leaf is real wealth. When it is burnt, the whole country (indeed, the whole world) loses. Fallen leaves are raw material for topsoil of the finest quality.

In our reliance on chemical fertilizers, we have lost sight of the basic truth that no soil can be fertile that lacks organic matter. Leaves contain all the minerals for which gardeners are prepared to pay good dollars as well as trace elements which are often missing from commercial fertilizers. In addition, they are rich in organic matter, but when they are burnt more than 90 per cent of their value is destroyed.

Neighbors, mix your fallen leaves with your topsoil or compost them with a mixture of animal manure and soil. Get the leaves back on your land and thus contribute your mite to the conservation of American soil.

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SPURGEON GAGE
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The following children of the sixth grade, Elizabeth G. Braley, teacher, have "adopted" children in the village of Camiers.

Northfield	Camiers
Lawrence Angell	Francis Fournier
Gene Bursch	Jean Perrault
Ellsworth Black	Francis Fourcroy
Minor Carpenter	Denis Lamarre
Norman Dean	Michel Gronier
Donald Miller	Jean-Baptiste Descharies
Marvin Holloway	Alphonse Driego
Charles Jones	Claude Robard
Paul Jordan, Jr.	Gerard Regnier
John Mankovsky	Michel Lamarre
Stephen Mankovsky	Robert Pernel
Douglas Pearsall	Louis Regnier
David Scott	Andre Bozeau
Arlen Sibbey	Jacques Descharies
William Stewart	Julius Varlet
Sidney Walker	Jean Maisson
Donald Williams	Andre Foulon
Richard Williams	Michel Foulon
Ronald Zanko	Alain Wasselin
Florin Andrew	Victor Mlot
Shirley Clough	Lucette Etienne
Irene Dapittie	Liliane Doquois
Delores Flister	Louise Buzzy
Beverly Williams	Marcelle Maisson
Alice Wood	Cecile Pernel

Salvation Army Day

A number of citizens met at the home of Mrs. William R. Moody last Tuesday evening to consider the holding of a Salvation Army Day in Northfield this summer after the close of the General Conference. Such an observance has been held in a limited manner in previous years with sacred music and evangelistic services in the Auditorium, at the home of Mrs. Moody and on the lawn of Mr. Hoehn in Mountain Park. Now since the successful handling of the camp by the Army of Pleasant road, known as the Louise Andrews camp, this work should be recognized as a part of Northfield's assets.

It is hoped that on a Saturday evening a large band contingent might be brought here for a secular concert and that on Sunday a service might be arranged under the auspices of the Army officials which will present sacred music and a stirring address. Those attending unanimously approved of such a plan and a committee will be formed to have the matter in charge.

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George H. Reed, Well-Known Builder, Dies

George H. Reed, 63, of Greenfield, well known to Northfield as a building contractor, died suddenly on November 20 at the New England Deaconess hospital in Boston.

He was born in West Swansey, N. H., March 31, 1885, and attended schools in West Northfield, Saugus and Keene, N. H.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Nov. 23, followed by burial in West Northfield.

Grange News

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Whitney accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Richmond Short of Greenfield to the National Grange Convention in Portland, Me. All received the Seventh Degree, the highest in the Grange Order, and attended meetings of the Assembly of Demeter.

During the week, Mr. and Mrs. Short celebrated their twentieth wedding anniversary by taking several trips to points of interest in Maine.

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CAMIERS SHIPMENT STILL DELAYED 25 MORE CHILDREN ARE ADOPTED

Twenty-five children in the sixth grade class of Elizabeth G. Braley have "adopted" children of Camiers of corresponding ages in Camiers.

Matrons and Patrons Entertained by OES

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Mann, Jr., entertained on Saturday evening in Masonic Hall the western Massachusetts Matrons and Patrons association of 1948. Seventy attended the supper served by Mrs. Helen Stearns and Mrs. Sidney Given, co-chairmen. The waitresses were Mrs. Eva Fox, Mrs. Joseph Morgan, Miss Gladys Elithorpe, Mrs. Jennie Warnock, Mrs. J. William Wilde, Miss Lois Stearns. Eighty attended the business meeting, followed by a program by John Edward Phelps of Gill, artist, who gave a lecture with chalk drawings. Dr. Cleon W. Hostettler of Chicopee, worthy grand patron, and Mrs. Hostettler were guests.

"Seeds For Peace"

Some time last summer an appeal was made to the local Garden Club to aid in a project to give seeds for distribution among the countries of Europe. The local club responded that approximately \$40,000 in seeds were secured and distributed. The co-operation of local clubs was wonderful says Mrs. Helen Smith Hull of the National Board and she expresses thanks to all who assisted.

The seeds were mostly of vegetables and secured quite a harvest for the gardeners. The growing seeds were a symbol of friendship and the distribution was very much appreciated. A unit of seeds were given to each householder who provided a garden and there were 70,000 units given away. The Church World Service made the distribution in Europe. The Misses Hamilton of the local Garden Club had charge of the solicitation in Northfield.

lers, and will begin their correspondence soon.

Due to the critical shipping situation, the PRESS has been unable to ship the packed crates to New York. Arrangements are being made to send them to New York immediately upon the termination of the difficulties.

A number of children and a few families are still available for adoption.

Many Christmas packages have already gone to Camiers, but it cannot be emphasized too strongly that although gift parcels will not arrive in time for the holidays plans should be made to send them as soon as possible.

This adoption program will be carried on into next year, with every hope that it will continue to grow as a closer relationship grows between the two towns.

More Gifts Received For the Little House

Additional gifts of money for the

Girl Scout Little House have brought the total well over the \$800 mark. One of these deserves special mention in that it came from another Girl Scout Troop. The Girl Scouts of South Vernon sent with their best wishes a contribution of \$10 toward the building.

Several very fine contributions of items have been received this week, including: a large flag given by Mrs. Charles Leach, the paint for the outside of the house given by Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Miller, and the promise of a continuing supply of firewood from Mr. Stanley Bismack. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bismack have kindly agreed to store the piano given by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Huber until spring.

The Canvass Committee reports a total of 212 individual contributions in the drive which closed November 13.

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CARE FOR CAMIERS

An ad sponsored by public spirited citizens of Northfield appears in our pages this week, and it says, in substance, CARE FOR CAMIERS!

CARE in this case means two things. First, it represents the initials of an organization devoted to assisting you in supplying food and clothing to Europe. Second, it means an anxiety, a solicitude. We of the PRESS feel a deep abiding anxiety and solicitude for the village of Camiers.

We know that this feeling of compassion exists in the hearts of many people — the results of the adoption thus far underline that fact.

It must be a primary consideration of everyone, child and adult, to ponder deep and hard, what it means to write a letter, to send a piece of hair ribbon, a box of crayons or an outgrown skirt. This should not be considered as charity — or as a chore — it is much more. It is a concrete material contribution to the permanent welfare of the world.

To say, "My contribution is small — I won't bother." How wrong that is!

The importance of this adoption — of any adoption — is of vast importance. Its eventual effect cannot be underestimated — it must not be underestimated. For if we consider this adoption, under the MEDWAY PLAN, as a scheme a will-o-the-wisp, then we fall into a fatal frame of mind. Diffident, dilatory thinking leads down the broad avenue of disaster.

What disaster? We are all well fed. We prosper. The dove of peace flutters near at hand. Take care, that the dove does not die, and the olive branch be consumed once again by the acid Martian flames.

You MUST care. You must teach your children to care. Through them (the children) we can all learn. Listen to the age-old wisdom of a child. Share with your children in their adoption. From this they learn responsibility, and loyalty. Their education as a citizen begins early. It must begin early. The distance from the Connecticut River to the glycer Canche in Camiers is a good deal shorter now than it was some few years ago.

Whether it be for humanitarian instincts, or because it makes "Christmas last a little longer", CARE FOR CAMIERS!

Poets' Corner

"REVEREND"

Call me "Brother" if you will;
Call me "Parson" — better still —
Though plain "Mister" fills the bill.
If that title lacketh thrill,
Even "Father" brings no chill
Of hard or rancor or ill-will.
If "D.D." the name append,
Then "Doctor" doth some fitness lend.

"Preacher" (ugh!) — "Pastor" —
"Reverend" — "Friend" —
Titles almost without end —
Never grate and ne'er offend;
A loving ear to all I bend.
But how that man my heart doth rend

Who blithely calls me "Reverend."
(Author Unknown)

The New Auto Plates

It will soon be time of adorn your automobile, whether passenger or truck with the new license plates for 1949 and it will be necessary to secure your insurance for the next year before you are given the plates. There will be many changes in the color of the plates for next season and an official list just issued states that the Massachusetts plates will be white on black. New York will be black on yellow; New Jersey, straw on black; Vermont, green on black; New Hampshire, green on black; Maine, orange on black, and Rhode Island, green on aluminum and Connecticut, black on aluminum.



WERT

At Franklin County Hospital, Nov. 20, stillborn son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Wert, Hinsdale road, Northfield.

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THE "SQUEEZE" BOX

(Letters should be limited to 400 words or less. All letters must be signed by the writer — the name will not be used if you so desire.)

To the Editor of the Press:
In last week's Press, you stated that you had only two suits of clothes, one you were wearing and the other at the cleaners. Cheer up, a rummage sale might be coming along soon and you may be fortunate to find an extra.

How about the poor fellow who said he had a suit for every day but it was the same suit. What will he do if he sends his last pair of pants to France? Cherlo.

William



DUNNELL — MILLER

Shirley Mae Miller of Glen street, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Miller, and Floyd Myron Dunnell, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Dunnell of Main street were married yesterday at 3 p. m., in the Trinitarian Congregational Church by Rev. Joseph Reeves in a double-ring service.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. The altar was decorated with chrysanthemums and candelabra, and the pews were tied with rose, yellow and green bows. Traditional music was played on an electric organ by Leon Dunnell, the bridegroom's uncle.

The bride was attended by Miss Ellen Sheen of Bennington, Vt., cousin of the bridegroom, as maid of honor, and Miss Doris Doolittle of this town, a cousin, and Miss Iris Whitney were the bridesmaids. Joyce Roberts, cousin of the bride, was the flower girl.

Dwight Stearns of this town was best man. Ushers were Richard Whitney, cousin of the bride, and Elwin Stevens of this town.

The bride wore white satin with long train and long pointed sleeves, a beaded lace neckline, and coronet of seed pearls with finger tip illusion veil.

Miss Sheen wore a gown of rose taffeta with a headpiece of rose net and carried a colonial bouquet of lavender pompons. Miss Doolittle wore a gown of yellow taffeta with headpiece of yellow net and carried a colonial bouquet of shaded bronze pompons. Miss Whitney wore green taffeta with headpiece of green net and carried a colonial bouquet of shaded bronze pompons.

Miss Roberts wore a yellow taffeta gown and a flowered headpiece and carried a basket of petals. A reception for 200 was given in the vestry, with Mrs. Bernard Whitney cutting the bride's cake. Mrs. Warren Randall had charge of the guest book. Mrs. Paul Carpenter and Miss Eleanor Severance were at the punch bowl. Guests were from here, Springfield, Greenfield, Bennington, Troy, N. Y., and Millers Falls.

Mrs. Melvin Miller, the bride's mother, wore a blue crepe gown and corsage of red roses. Mrs. Dunnell, mother of the bridegroom, wore blue and corsage of red roses. The vestry was decorated with chrysanthemums and candles. For an unannounced trip, the bride wore a green tulle suit, grey hat and coat and black accessories with corsage of red roses. They will live on Meadow street after Dec. 1.

Mrs. Dunnell attended Northfield high school, and the bridegroom was graduated from the local high school and is employed by his father. The bride gave her attendants rhinestone earrings, and the bridegroom gave his attendants necktie pins, and the flower girl received a gold bracelet.



SANDERSON

At Brattleboro hospital, Nov. 20, a daughter, Jane Alice, to Mr. and Mrs. Winthrop W. Sanderson of East Northfield; granddaughter of Martin Coombs of Bernardston road, Greenfield.

BRUCE

In Brattleboro Memorial hospital, Nov. 16, a son, to Walter and Esther (Spaulding) Bruce of South Vernon; grandson to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Bruce and Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Spaulding of South Vernon.

Movies at Town Hall Proceeds for Fund

Movies are being shown at the town hall tonight, sponsored by the Northfield Parent-Teachers Association. The proceeds will go toward the scholarship fund.

The picture is "One Hundred Men and a Girl."

Eighty-five per cent of new Navy recruits are unmarried and not engaged to be married, and about one-third of them give financial aid to a dependent.

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"They were hung in Boston in '76" — those words rung in my ears until all my thoughts were blurred. I was tempted to ask Preserved Smith if I hadn't heard wrong, or perhaps he was mistaken. But when I looked up the trail and saw Preserved looking at me with a wry sympathetic smile I knew that it must be true.

Our trail to Squakeage wound slowly through alternate patches of meadow and woodland. Trees were showing green and grass shoots were pushing aside the dark debris of winter. Here and there in darker, shaded wood icy snow was still visible.

The creaking of my weathered saddle kept tune to my thoughts, which were still fully occupied by Sagamore Sam and One-Eyed John. Now that I knew they were dead I had to find other means to revenge the death of my father. Low hanging branches of sodden trees whipped against my boots — but I felt them not, for tears forced themselves out of my narrowed eyes as I fought the turmoil that gripped my stomach.

While I was involved in my personal struggle over the shocking news Preserved had given me I noticed Uncle Eb holding his hand in the air, bringing the column to a halt.

"Perhaps we were now nearing Squakeage (alias Northfield); that sudden thought cleared my head of other things and I stood up in my stirrups to look up the trail.

Uncle Eb wheeled and in a second was at my side, without a word he signaled for Preserved to join in the conversation, then he said, "Preserved, you stay with Benjamin, we're now on the common road to Sunderland and we're taking the path west of Dry swamp, if we can find it, into Northfield. Look to your powder and bullets, both of you, we don't know if we'll find Squakeage or Canada Indians

up ahead."

"You heard your Uncle, Benjie, stick by me, ride up ahead, and look sharp when I call out," Preserved told me as he loosened his pouch of bullets from its hitch on the saddle.

I must have been a little perturbed at Preserved for I shot back, "We're looking for Indians and not tipplers."

Preserved colored a bit, and said without a trace of a smile, "Up ahead Benjie." From the coldness of his voice I knew he meant it — and I relented somewhat, and I knew I must be at fault. A little childish considering my age.

We began making our way through Dry swamp, picking out the overgrown trail carefully — with everyone ever watchful in all directions. Uncle Eb, straight in the saddle, was in the lead, and with measured stride was making his way toward the rise that marked the end of Dry swamp. His horse was surefooted and held steady in Uncle Eb's hands.

Just as we were about to emerge from the swamp, into a rolling meadow Uncle Eb once again held his hand high, Preserved stiffened and I looked to my musket.

Suddenly Uncle Eb dismounted, and we all followed his lead, and quickly ran to his side. A wild shock ran through me — a most horrible scene was presented to our eyes.

There, in this clump of trees, were standing three poles, and set upon each of the poles was the severed head of a Hadley trooper. My stomach revolted, and I lurched against Preserved, who in quiet iron tones said to me, "One-Eyed John may be dead, but his tribe is still free. Now I'll help you Benjie."

With my eyes averted, and leading my horse, we passed out of Dry swamp, into Northfield.
(To be Continued)

VETERANS BULLETIN BOARD

Vocational Rehabilitation

Eligible disabled veterans may receive education or training at Government expense, with tuition, supplies, and, in many cases, subsistence allowance provided by the Vocational Rehabilitation Act. (Public Law 16, 78th Congress, as amended.)

Eligibility — Disabled veterans are eligible if: (1) they had active service between September 16, 1940 and July 25, 1947; (2) they were discharged or separated under conditions other than dishonorable; (3) they have a service-connected or aggravated disability which would entitle them to compensation (even if they are not receiving disability compensation); and, (4) VA determines they need vocational training to overcome their ability to work, up to a total must be met.

Length of training — Eligible veterans may get training for as long as is necessary to restore their ability to work, up to a total of four years. In extraordinary cases, VA may authorize training for more than four years. Veterans may apply for vocational rehabilitation at any time after their discharge but in time to complete their training by July 25, 1956.

Type of Training — Before disabled veterans begin training, they will be interviewed by trained VA counselors. If necessary, they will be given a series of scientific tests to determine their aptitudes and interests. This, together with a review of the veterans' past experiences, will enable the VA counselor and training officer to help the veterans decide the type of training they should get.

Eligible veterans may be: (1) enrolled in schools or colleges; (2) placed in apprenticeship or other training on the job; or, (3) entered in institutional on farm training programs or other programs which combine school and job training.

Subsistence Allowances — While in training and for two months afterwards, the disabled veterans may receive subsistence allowances in addition to their disability compensation. Maximum monthly subsistence rates for disabled veterans studying in schools and colleges are \$75 without dependents, \$105 with one dependent, and \$120 with more than one dependent.

Maximum rates for job trainees are \$65 without dependents and \$90 with one or more dependents.

Rates for veterans enrolled in combination types of training may be somewhat higher than the job training rates.

Additional allowances may be provided depending on the veterans' degree of disability and the number of additional dependents they have.

Education and Training — Eligible veterans may receive education or training at Government expense, with tuition, supplies, and in many cases, a subsistence allowance provided by the GI Bill.

Eligibility — Veterans are eligible if: (1) they were in
(To be Continued)

WINTER Sports

PINE TOP SKI AREA in South Vernon will be prepared to greet winter sports enthusiasts when the snow comes. Ever since last spring snow has been engaged in to improve the slopes and hills and to add conveniences for the skiers and spectators.

TOBBY SLOPE, the upper run — has been widened 175 feet and is now cleared to the top, which lengthens the ride by 250 feet. A tractor has been removing rocks, trees, etc., and the skier will find its bumps well ironed out.

PELLEY HILL itself could not be improved on, but at the bottom, approaching the landing flat, trees, stone walls, etc., have been removed so that the area is widened at least 115 feet. Some of these improvements were recommended by skiers last season so will be enthusiastically received.

A large parking area will be

cleared at the foot of the hill — almost directly opposite the lane to the lower tow — and this will aid the parking problem tremendously.

Ed Dunklee and Bud Bigelow, registered ski instructors, will be on hand week ends or by appointment during the week. The Brattleboro Ski Patrol will also be on duty in the area.

The doors of the "Old Blacksmith Shop" will be opened again where the Racineans hope to satisfy the hunger and thirst of the skiers. The old iron stove and happy skiers in the shop should be sufficient to create the necessary warmth.

Last, but not least, Mr. Racine is hard at work at present erecting "Glorified Privy." And by that he means "windproof and Needled on the Pine and Hemlock studded Hillside."

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Customs declaration (Form 2966) and dispatch note (Form 2972) if required, must be attached to these relief parcels.

AYH Leaders Attend Recreation Meeting

The Sixth Annual Governor's Conference on Recreation was held in Montpelier, Vermont on November 15. Ben Cummings and Bill Nelson accepted an invitation to present youth hostelling, and the plans for developing hostels in the State of Vermont, to several of the special sessions which were held. Recreation leaders from all over the state were on hand to hear a wide variety of subjects discussed, including sessions on social recreation, hospital recreation, arts and crafts, dramatics, swimming, winter sports, public relations and publicity, and to discuss the many problems which confront small community recreation programs. Vermont is one of three states out of 48 that has a paid full-time Director of Recreation for the State, and thus is doing a pioneer job in company with North Carolina and California.

At the dinner closing the Conference, Gov. Gibson spoke with great appreciation for the work which recreation leaders in the State were doing. His own sincere interest in recreation is quite evident, for he mentioned that recreational facilities must be made available to all people no matter what their age, or occupation. He laid special emphasis on the part which recreation plays in developing a sound, healthy mind, and pointed out as specific example the admission figures for the state mental institutions.

He expressed pleasure at the work that is being done in White River Junction which has greatly reduced juvenile delinquency practically to the vanishing point. This town had one of the highest rates of delinquency in the State and, to combat it, developed a program called "Junior Policemen." The Governor went on to point out other programs and facilities which are in operation throughout the State, all vital contributions to Vermont life.

Another speaker on the program was Homer Wadsworth, Vice President of the New School of Social Research in New York City, whose theme was "Recreation on the March." He quoted figures to show that in the last 40 years the working week has been cut in half and that annual vacations with any have been doubled. This achievement has been brought about by the machine. The chief functions of government at the turn of the

News of 4-H CLUBS

A revived 4-H Club is operating in Northfield under the guidance of Mrs. Helen Benney and Hazel Schooley, with more than 17 boys and girls on the membership roll. The following pledge guides the club in its work: "I Pledge: My Heart to clearer thinking; My Heart to greater loyalty; My Hands to larger service; My Health to better living; for My Club, My Community, and My Country."

The Club meets every Thursday night at 7:00 p. m. in their new quarters in the barn owned by the Benneys. The club house is now in the process of being painted and fixed up for 4-H work. Members are doing most of the work, with furniture donated by interested townspeople. A large table and bench have been received from Albin E. Franz. They have a ping pong table, and would welcome a ping-pong set if someone has a second hand outfit not in use.

Each member selects the crafts or projects he or she wishes to undertake, with most of the work carried on at home. Members keep score cards, on their progress which are later submitted for credit.

Since so much of the work is individual projects, and carried on at home, the leaders decided that meetings would be devoted to group activities that would teach members the ideals of 4-H. Those who have volunteered to instruct members at subsequent meetings, are: Gordon Pyper, wood craft; Mrs. Unto Hantunen, sewing; and Unto

century were concerned mainly with the protection and safety of the citizen. Now, however, since man has twice as much leisure time one of the chief responsibilities of government is to provide the means so that the citizen can develop a healthier, happier life of his own. He also made a prediction that within six months, a federal bureau of recreation would be an established fact, with its main function that of a co-ordinating agency and source of information for the various recreation agencies, both public and private which now exist in the field.

Hantunen, dramatics. Anyone wishing to participate in this program should contact Mrs. Edward Benney.

The following are 4-H members: Charlene Chamberlin, Martha Chamberlin, Irene Doolittle, Carolyn Ferris, Betty McIntire, Helen Ropes, Duira Benney, Bruce Benney, Andrew Sheldon, Marvin Holloway, Roger Holloway, Paul Jordan, Jr., Richard Lombard, Douglas Pearsall and Ronald Quinlan.

Around Town

Just as a matter of information: that cane used by Frank Williams was once owned by his grandfather and is at least 75 years old.

F. A. Irish has some of the queerest looking carrots seen in these parts this year. We don't know how self-respecting carrots could grow in such odd and grotesque shapes.

The toboggan slide at Northfield is already for the winter and waiting for snow * * * who isn't?

A couple of local craftsmen, E. S. Frary and Dr. Richard Holton, turn out some really fine woodwork in their well-equipped and complete home workshops. For that matter Frary has turned out more than 800 baseball bats, supplying many of the local schools as well as Dartmouth College and a few years ago sent a batch to the Chicago Cubs.

Just in passing: more than a century and a half ago, Mr. Hunt, proprietor of Hunt's Tavern, lit his cigar with a ten dollar bill, before departing for Boston with his horse and sleigh. The tavern, where D. L. Moody went to school, was once the "Northfield Academy for Useful Knowledge" and through the years, 182 of them, has housed various different enterprises — now being operated by Dr. George A. Bronson as a nursing home.

Richard Steenbruggen, past commander of the Haven H. Spencer Post, American Legion, is back at his Huckle Hill home after a stay in a Boston Hospital.

Myrtle street is still pretty well dug up, but it begins to look like

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Robert E. Barnes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Barnes will be home from Colgate for the Thanksgiving holidays.

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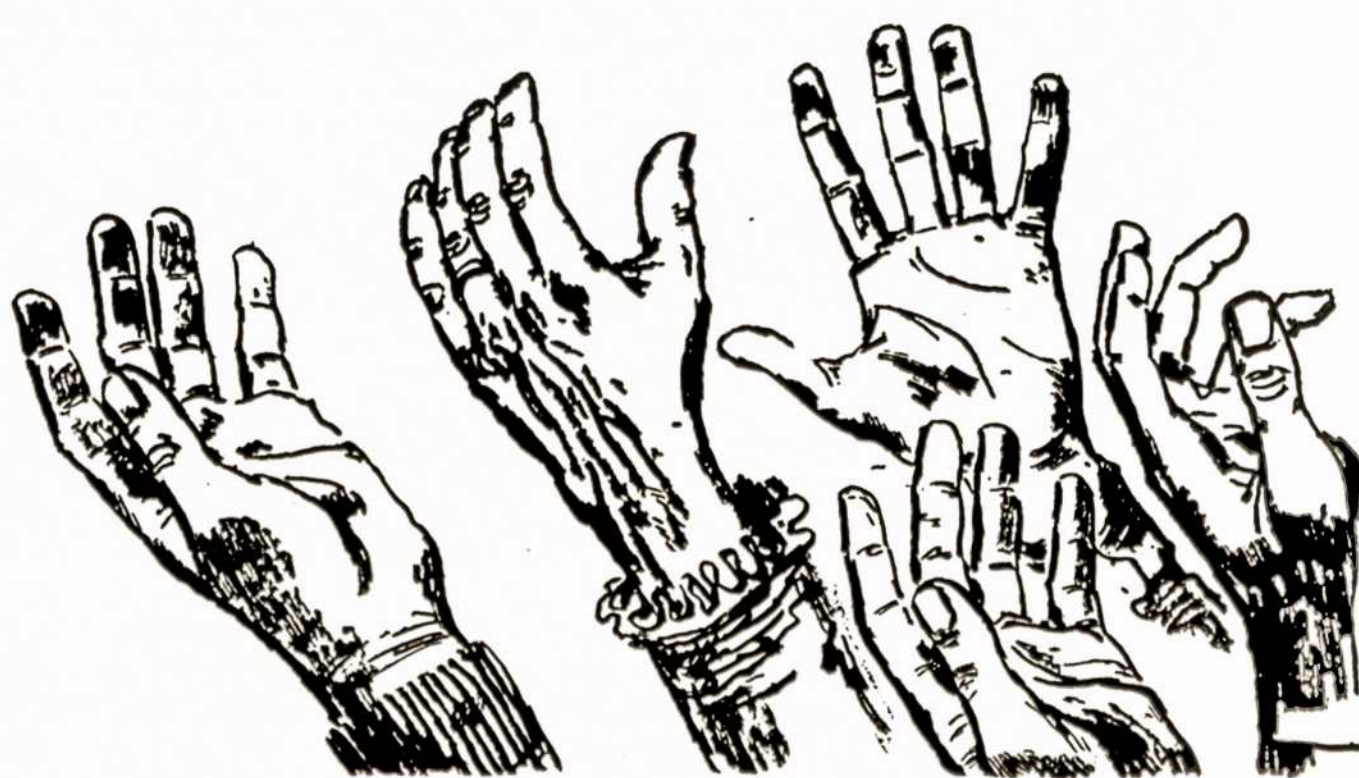
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Town Topics

Plenty of rain within the past week is filling the wells and causing the springs to overflow and sending down the water in the mountain streams. It was all sorely needed even if the wet interfered with outside work. The temperature has been cool but not too cold.

Two appraisers connected with a private concern visited the summer colonies Wednesday to do some checking up on certain properties. They found values conservative although some places were not given much improvement. Rents were reasonable.

Each member of the local Republican Town Committee has received a personal letter from Governor Robert F. Bradford for the splendid work they did in the last election. Northfield maintained its reputation as a strong Republican citadel.

Miss Ethel Lawrence of Madison, N. J. has purchased from Mr. and Mrs. Lester Poling of Springfield the former Richardson summer home in the Pine Grove section of Rustic Ridge. Miss Lawrence purchased for investment and will make considerable improvements.

Mr. and Mrs. George Carr of Winchester road are spending a week's vacation visiting friends and relatives in the eastern part of the state.

A letter received by friends from

Mrs. Grace C. Cornell of Winchester road, states that she has arrived in California, the trip taking four days and nights by bus.

Miss Elsie Scott has erected a small cabin on the lot she recently purchased from the Bethany estate near her own home.

Miner Carpenter, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Miner Carpenter is at the Farren Hospital recovering from an appendicitis operation.

The local assessors, Ernest A. Parker, Fred Merrifield and Clifford Field, along with town treasurer Charles Slate and wife, attended the annual Franklin County Assessors' meeting in Deerfield on November 18.

Miss Daisy Holton is confined to the Brattleboro Memorial Hospital. Donald Hiller is back in school after having had the measles.

Mrs. Mildred Addison attended National Grange Convention in Portland, Maine.

Uncle Sam Says



The first observance of Labor Day in the United States was held in New York City in 1882 by the American Federation of Labor. In 1948, some 60 millions of you wage earners will join in the 66th annual celebration of that day. Congratulations are in order. Millions of you workers are now guarding against any future emergencies by allotting a portion of your weekly wages to the purchase of U.S. Savings Bonds through the Payroll Savings Plan. You like it because it is automatic, it is sure. If not enrolled you can sign up today where you work for the Payroll Savings Plan, or, if self-employed, see your banker and ask to be enrolled for the Bond-a-Month Plan to purchase U.S. Savings Bonds. An allotment of \$3.75 a week will bring you \$2163.45 in just ten years. U.S. Treasury Department

Oatmeal Takes High Place

On Nutritive Food List

Oatmeal and rolled oats, once considered by some to be fit only for animals, now outrank all other breakfast food cereals in nutritional value, according to a report on foods of plant origin in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

"Wheat," the report states, "is by far the leading cereal in the diet in the United States, furnishing approximately 25 per cent of the total calories consumed."

Canned corn is "equal to corn meal in energy and protein on an equivalent moisture basis, and is superior to the milled product in mineral and thiamine content."

Dry legumes, such as beans, peas and lentils are, according to the article, twice as rich in protein as are the cereals. Dried navy and kidney beans, green or dried lima beans, lentils and cow peas are also rich sources of Vitamin B1.

Among the vegetables, the report states that potatoes make up one of the largest parts of the American diet. They are a significant source of iron and also provide a substantial amount of ascorbic acid, or vitamin C.

Leafy vegetables, such as cabbage, kale, broccoli, lettuce, spinach, etc., are "outstanding sources of certain minerals and vitamins."

Middle American Republics Enthusiastic About Sports

Construction has begun in Guatemala on a national stadium which is to be the scene of the sixth Caribbean Olympics in 1950. This highlights the fact that the citizens of 11 Middle American republics are great natural sportsmen. Combined in them are the physical endowment and stamina of the Indians and the temperament and skill of the Latins.

Although the United States is thought of as a sports paradise, the lands lying between Mexico on the north and Colombia on the south go in for a great many more varieties of sport, and generally speaking, sports have a greater significance in the lives of the Middle Americans.

Baseball is already a full-grown sport in Cuba, and is growing more and more popular in both Mexico and Panama. However, the No. 1 sports throughout Middle America is the game of "futbol" or soccer, which attracts crowds that dwarf our football and baseball assemblages. Not even the remotest village is without its soccer field, generally located in front of the church.

"Tejo" is virtually the national sport of Colombia. Roughly similar to the American game of pitching horseshoes, tejo is usually coupled with "plaque" the name of a sort of Middle American picnic.



Soils Need Air for Total Crop Growth Increasing Depth of Aeration Boosts Yield

"Study" soils that have little or no oxygen available to the plant roots that grow in them just are not able to support high crop yields. Hard working plant roots need oxygen if they are to do a good job of supporting the plant and collecting plant food for the above ground parts.

Working with chuck soil, N. K. Ellis, Purdue University, and Richard Morris, U. S. soil conservation service, found that when liberal quantities of oxygen penetrated the soil only four inches the yield of red beets, sweet corn, onions and Chippewa potatoes was small. When the soils were "ventilated" to 18 inches the yields increased as much as 10 fold. When the depth of aeration was increased to 34 inches the yield of some of the crops was increased.



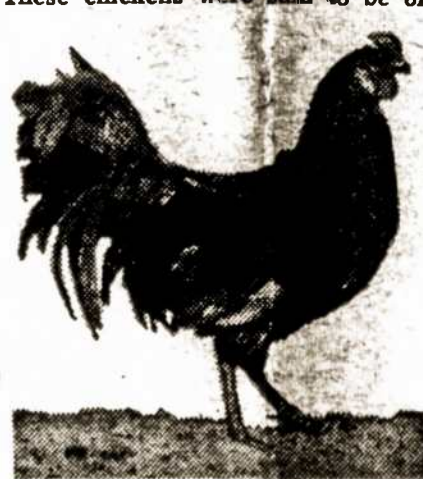
It may pay to go deeper than this plow is set.

The yield of carrots went from 3 to 33 tons per acre when the depth of aeration was increased from 4 to 18 inches. Sweet corn yield went from 3 to 4.75 tons; onions from 45 to 275 50-pound bags; red beets from 3.75 to 18.5 tons and potatoes from about 12 to 238 bushels per acre.

Oxygen in the soil for the use of the plant roots is the logical reason for the difference in crop yields. Adequate plant food was available on all the plots. Rainfall during the season was sufficient to eliminate water as a limiting crop production factor on the mock soils.

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The photograph shows a blue fowl resulting from a cross of Black Sumatra cock and Blue-Splashed White hen, as developed by the USDA.

Trough and Bath Pen

This drinking trough has an overflow pipe to carry water to the larger trough. The arrangement eliminates the need for float valve.



Unique drinking trough and bath pen, courtesy James V. Lincoln foundation.

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Treating Turkeys for Blackhead Recommended

A little item on a large subject appeared recently in the official publication of the American Veterinary Medical Association. Disinfectant phenol, 10 per cent benzylammonium chloride, it seems, has been recommended by leading veterinary authorities as a "preventive of naturally occurring enteropathies of poultry." "Enteropathies" is a disease more commonly known as "blackhead."



TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Joseph W. Reeves, Minister.

Sunday, November 28,

9:55 a. m., Church School.

10:00 a. m., Young People's Forum and Men's Bible Class.

11:00 a. m., Public Worship. Sermon subject, "Christianizing Our Consciences." Pre-school age children attended by Mrs. Ray Thompson.

5:30 p. m., Junior choir rehearsal.

6:30 p. m., Pilgrim Fellowship of Young People. Devotional service to be led by James Reid. Mr. Ernest Kirtman of the Northfield Colored Kodachrome Slides.

7:30 p. m., November meeting of the Standing Committee of the Church in the vestry.

Monday, November 29,

8:00 p. m., Meeting of the officers and teachers of the Church School at the home of Mrs. James Gillespie.

Wednesday, December 1,

10:12:00 a. m., Silver Coffee and Christmas Sale at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Austin Daly, Highland avenue, East Northfield, sponsored by the Women's Guild, and for the benefit of the New Building Fund. The public is invited.

Friday, December 3,

7:45 p. m., Auxiliary meeting at the home of Mrs. Lena Moor. A Christmas program.

Thursday, December 9,

8:00 p. m., Christmas party of the 20-45 Club. Games, modern and square dances. Music by the Taylors from Athol.

Sunday, December 12,

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11:00 a. m., Service and Sermon.

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